

SJGHC Pastoral Supervised Immersion Experience

Expression of Interest Application form

In the context of St John of God Health Care, the Pastoral Supervised Immersion Experience (Experience) will be an experiential learning program, offered at all WA, Victoria and NSW Hospitals/Services .

The program/experience consists of 5 modules and is formulated around the St John of God pastoral capabilities framework

- Module 1:Leading the Mission
- Module 2:Pastoral care in a catholic hospital/service
- Module 3:Professional Pastoral practice
- Module 4:Spiritual, ritual and cultural practices
- Module 5 Bereavement, grief and loss

The program provides to students optimal learning experiences, team involvement, patient contact, mentoring support, ritual expression and reflective practice.

Learning outcomes

- Experience the depth and diversity of pastoral ministry in Catholic healthcare setting;
- Develop pastoral awareness and spiritual assessment skills;
- Engage in reflective practice to support skills development and pastoral capabilities;
- Demonstrate theological reflection.

PART A: APPLICATION DETAILS

Title: _____

First Name: _____ **Surname:** _____

Address: _____

Contact: phone 1: _____ Phone 2: _____

Email: _____

NOK name and contact details in the event of an emergency

Do you have any learning/communication/access requirements? No Yes :

Please describe: _____

Current employer: _____

Faith or spiritual community: _____

Do you have Australian Citizenship or permanent residency? Yes No

Have you ever worked at SJGHC before? If Yes, where and when? Yes No

How did you hear about the SJGHC Pastoral Supervised Immersion Experience?

Please attach a copy of your Curriculum Vitae:

PART B: Personal and Professional reflection.

Should you be shortlisted for interview, we will further explore your answers with you and suggest you bring your completed expression of interest form to the interview

- 1. What are you hoping to achieve following completion of this unit personally?** (No more than 200 words)

- 2. What are you hoping to achieve following completion of this unit professionally?** (No more than 200 words)

- 3. What challenges do you anticipate may arise for you, in taking on Experience?** (No more than 200 words)

- 4. Working in a hospital may be confronting for you if you have experienced illness, hospitalization, bereavement or any form of psychological distress. Please tell us if any of these factors apply to you?** *It is important that you disclose any of these factors given the confronting nature of pastoral services work in a Hospital setting.* (No more than 200 words)

PART C: INFORMATION

I am aware that:

1. An admission interview is required of all shortlisted student applications;
2. Interview to determine suitability are conducted by the SJGHC Group Manager Pastoral Services/delegate, Pastoral Coordinator/Managers and/or delegate;
3. Areas for discussion at this interview will include:
 - An exploration of your application
 - Your understanding of pastoral ministry and spiritual care in healthcare
 - Past experiences that might impact your immersion Experience

4. Participation in the Experience is conditional upon:
 - Copy of a current police clearance and working with children check (*costs covered by applicant*)
 - Completion of student undertaking form (*This form to be completed should you be offered a placement*)
 - Completion of Immunisation requirements (*cost covered by applicant*)
 - Completion of mandatory competencies i.e. manual handling and hand hygiene; (*this will be arranged for you by placement site should you be offered a placement.*)
 - Payment of scheduled fee
5. The program consists of 50 hours of supervised immersion in pastoral ministry. These hours will be completed in no less than 4 consecutive weeks and up to a maximum of 10 weeks. Days and times can be negotiated with specific sites according to student/site availability and immersion opportunities
6. You will:
 - Be assigned a supervisor/preceptor for the duration of your Experience;
 - Be provided with a personal reflective journal which you are required to complete as part of your assessment process;
 - Receive a certificate of completion should I successfully complete the unit. This Certificate is required to obtain advanced standing for the UNDA PT502 Pastoral Placement Unit which is one of the required units in the UNDA Graduate Certificate Liberal Arts (Pastoral Placement);
7. A current SJGHC Caregiver may undertake the Experience in a hospital/service other than their current employment, provided they have approval from their Manager;
8. The immersion program is one of the steps in considering a career as a pastoral practitioner and further tertiary pastoral studies would be required to seek employment as a pastoral practitioner;
9. SJGHC reserves the right to immediately suspend or terminate all or part of the Experience if I fail to comply with the terms of this undertaking, commits a serious breach of personal and professional conduct, or if SJGHC believes that the continuation of the Experience presents a risk to the safety of patients or SJGHC Caregivers or to the reputation of SJGHC. SJGHC is not required to provide me with a warning, although it may do so, and the decision of the Supervisor or the Group Manager of Pastoral Services (GMPS) will be final in this regard;
10. You will be required to complete an evaluation following the Experience.

Please forward completed written application to Eleanor.roderick@sjog.org.au.

If you are unable to use email, please mail to:

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